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Decision on the vacancy in the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

The Meeting of States Parties,

Taking note of paragraph 6 of the letter dated 18 April 2008 from the Chairman of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf addressed to the President of the eighteenth Meeting of States Parties,[1] which states that, since the election of the present membership of the Commission, one member of the Commission from the Group of Eastern European States has not assumed his functions and has not made the solemn declaration as required by the rules of procedure of the Commission, and that no communication has been received from him,

Decides that, unless the elected member of the Commission assumes his functions and makes the solemn declaration at the forthcoming twenty-second session of the Commission, the seat in the Commission for the Group of Eastern European States shall be deemed vacant and that the election to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term of office shall be held prior to the twenty-third session of the Commission in March and April 2009.

[1] SPLOS/177.

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